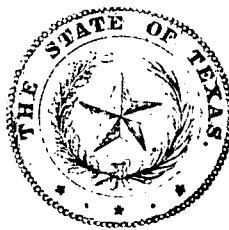


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**THIRTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE**

BEGUN AND HELD AT  
THE CITY OF AUSTIN, APRIL 16, 1923



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A quorum was announced present.

Prayer was then offered by Rev. J. C. Mitchell, Chaplain.

# PROCLAMATION BY THE GOVERNOR.

The Speaker laid before the House and had read the following proclamation by the Governor:

## Proclamation

By the Governor of the State of Texas.

Whereas, The Regular Session of the Thirty-eighth Legislature, and the First Called Session thereof, adjourned without providing sufficient revenue for the proper maintenance of our public schools, our eleemosynary asylums and our State government for the coming two years; and

Whereas, The State Treasury is now confronted with a deficiency which will aggregate approximately \$6,000,000, unless the Legislature at once makes provision for the raising of sufficient revenue to take care of this deficiency; and

Whereas, There are some real constructive legislative measures that ought to be enacted into law for the growth of Texas and the economic administration of the Texas government; now, therefore,

I, Pat M. Neff, Governor of the State of Texas, by virtue of authority vested in me by the Constitution of the State of Texas, in Article 4, Section 8, do hereby call the Thirty-eighth Legislature in extraordinary session to convene in the City of Austin, Texas, at 9 o'clock, Monday morning, April 16, A. D. 1923, for the following purposes, to wit:

First. To provide sufficient funds to properly maintain our public schools, our eleemosynary asylums, and the Texas government.

Second. To make appropriations within the available revenue for the support and maintenance, for the coming two years, of our public schools, our eleemosynary asylums, and the State government.

Third. To invest the courts of Texas with effective authority to remove from office any officer against whom it can be proven in open court and before a jury that such officer has wilfully and corruptly failed and refused to enforce, as he took an oath to enforce, the laws of the country.

Fourth. To pass such laws as will make more effective the provisions of the Federal and State Constitutions

which prohibit the manufacture, the sale and the transportation of intoxicating beverages.

Fifth. To consider, and act upon, such other matters of vital and constructive importance as may be presented by the Governor pursuant to Article 3, Section 40, of the Constitution of Texas.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto signed my name officially, and caused to be impressed hereon the seal of the State, at the City of Austin, Texas, this the 7th day of April, A. D. 1923.

(Seal) (Signed) PAT M. NEFF,  
Governor of Texas.

By the Governor:

(Signed) C. W. PAYNE,  
Chief Clerk, Acting Secretary of State.

Filed in the office of Secretary of State this 7th day of April, A. D. 1923.  
(Signed) S. L. STAPLES,  
Secretary of State.

United States of America,  
State of Texas.

I, S. L. Staples, Secretary of State of the State of Texas, do hereby certify that the attached and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the proclamation issued by Pat M. Neff, Governor of Texas, calling a Special Session of the Thirty-eighth Legislature to convene in the City of Austin, Texas, at 9 o'clock a. m. Monday, April the 16th, A. D. 1923, as said proclamation now appears of record in this department.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto signed my name officially, and caused the seal of the State to be hereon impressed at the City of Austin, Texas, this the sixteenth (16th) day of April, A. D. 1923.

(Seal) S. L. STAPLES,  
Secretary of State.

## TO NOTIFY GOVERNOR AND SENATE.

Mr. Quaid offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Speaker appoint two committees of three members each, one of said committees to notify the Governor and the other to notify the Senate that the House is now organized and ready for the transaction of business.

The resolution was read second time and was adopted.